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## PRESS RELEASE

## Court Operations on Friday, June 11th - National Day of Mourning

Following President George W. Bush's declaration that June 11th will be a National Day of Mourning to honor the memory of former President Ronald Reagan, Chief United States District Judge William J. Zloch announced today that the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida at all its Divisions will be closed to the public on Friday, June 11, 2004. The United States Supreme Court will be in recess and closed to the public; the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit and the Administrative Office of the United States Courts will also be closed.

All federal courthouses in the District will be closed to the general public. However, consistent with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 77(a) the Clerk's Office will follow established protocols for receipt and processing of emergency filings which require expedited judicial attention. Those protocols are explained in a recorded message that may be heard by calling (305) 523-5100.

<u>Please contact Clarence Maddox, Court Administrator, if you have questions about this press release.</u>

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